
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 169

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND

The County of Buckinghamshire
(Electoral Changes) Order 2005

*Made - - - - 1st February 2005
Coming into force in accordance with article 1(2) and
1(3)*

Whereas the Boundary Committee for England(1), acting pursuant to section 15(4) of the Local Government Act 1992(2), has submitted to the Electoral Commission(3) recommendations dated September 2004 on its review of the county of Buckinghamshire:

And whereas the Electoral Commission have decided to give effect, with modifications, to those recommendations:

And whereas a period of not less than six weeks has expired since the receipt of those recommendations:

Now, therefore, the Electoral Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 17(4) and 26(5) of the Local Government Act 1992, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the County of Buckinghamshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2005.

(2) This Order, with the exception of articles 4 and 5, shall come into force –

(a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to any election to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2005, on the day after that on which it is made;

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- (1) The Boundary Committee for England is a committee of the Electoral Commission, established by the Electoral Commission in accordance with section 14 of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41). The Local Government Commission for England (Transfer of Functions) Order 2001 (S.I.2001/3962) transferred to the Electoral Commission the functions of the Local Government Commission for England.
- (2) 1992 c. 19. This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.
- (3) The Electoral Commission was established by the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c. 41). The functions of the Secretary of State, under sections 13 to 15 and 17 of the Local Government Act 1992 (c. 19), to the extent that they relate to electoral changes within the meaning of that Act, were transferred with modifications to the Electoral Commission on 1st April 2002 (S.I. 2001/3962).
- (4) This section has been amended by section 89(3) of the Local Government Act 2000 (c. 22), S.I. 2001/3962 and also otherwise in ways not relevant to this Order.
- (5) This section has been amended by S.I. 2001/3962.

- (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2005.
- (3) Articles 4 and 5 shall come into force –
 - (a) for the purpose of proceedings preliminary or relating to the election of a parish councillor for the parishes of Farnham Royal and Great Marlow to be held on the ordinary day of elections in 2007, on 15th October 2006;
 - (b) for all other purposes, on the ordinary day of elections in 2007.

Interpretation

2. In this Order –

“county” means the county of Buckinghamshire;

“existing”, in relation to an electoral division or ward, means the electoral division or ward as it exists on the date this Order is made;

references to wards, unless the context otherwise requires, are references to district wards in the county⁽⁶⁾;

any reference to the map is a reference to the map marked “Map referred to in the County of Buckinghamshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2005”, of which prints are available for inspection at –

- (a) the principal office of the Electoral Commission; and
- (b) the offices of Buckinghamshire County Council; and

any reference to a numbered sheet is a reference to the sheet of the map which bears that number.

Electoral divisions of the county of Buckinghamshire

3.—(1) The existing electoral divisions of the county⁽⁷⁾ shall be abolished.

(2) The county shall be divided into forty-seven electoral divisions which shall bear the names set out in column (1) of the Schedule.

(3) The electoral divisions shall comprise the areas described in column (2) of the Schedule by reference to wards, parishes, or parish wards or, where an area is not so described, the area designated on the map by reference to the name of the electoral division and demarcated by red lines; and the number of councillors to be elected for each electoral division shall be the number specified in respect of the electoral division in column (3) of the Schedule.

(4) Where a boundary is shown on the map as running along a road, railway line, footway, watercourse or similar geographical feature, it shall be treated as running along the centre line of the feature.

Wards of the parish of Farnham Royal

4.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Farnham Royal shall be abolished.

(6) See the District of Aylesbury Vale (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. [2002/1788](#)), the District of Chiltern (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. [2002/1784](#)) as amended by the District of Chiltern (Electoral Changes) (Amendment) Order 2004 (S.I. [2004/3253](#)), the District of South Bucks (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. [2002/1785](#)) and the District of Wycombe (Electoral Changes) Order 2002 (S.I. [2002/1781](#)).

(7) See the County of Buckinghamshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1983 (S.I. [1983/1529](#)). The area of the county of Buckinghamshire was altered by the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hampshire, Oxfordshire and Surrey (County Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I. [1991/264](#)), the Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Cambridgeshire (County Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I. [1991/282](#)), the Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire, Northamptonshire and Oxfordshire (County Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I. [1991/310](#)), the Heathrow Airport (County and London Borough Boundaries) Order 1993 (S.I. [1993/1342](#)), the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Surrey (County Boundaries) Order 1994 (S.I. [1994/330](#)) and the Buckinghamshire (Borough of Milton Keynes) (Structural Change) Order 1995 (S.I. [1995/1769](#)).

(2) The parish shall be divided into three parish wards which shall bear the names Farnham Royal Common, Farnham Royal Upp-End and Farnham Royal Village; and the wards shall comprise the areas designated on sheet 3 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for the Farnham Royal Common parish ward shall be seven, for the Farnham Royal Upp-End parish ward shall be three, and for the Farnham Royal Village parish ward shall be one.

Wards of the parish of Great Marlow

5.—(1) The existing wards of the parish of Great Marlow shall be abolished.

(2) The parish shall be divided into two parish wards which shall bear the names Great Marlow and Marlow Bottom; and the wards shall comprise the areas designated on sheet 2 by reference to the name of the ward and demarcated by orange lines.

(3) The number of councillors to be elected for the Marlow Bottom parish ward shall be six, and for the Great Marlow parish ward shall be five.

Maps

6. Buckinghamshire County Council shall make a print of the map marked “Map referred to in the County of Buckinghamshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2005” available for inspection at its offices by any member of the public at any reasonable time.

Electoral registers

7. The Electoral Registration Officer⁽⁸⁾ for each district in the county shall make such rearrangement of, or adaptation of, the register of local government electors as may be necessary for the purposes of, and in consequence of, this Order.

Revocation

8. The County of Buckinghamshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1983⁽⁹⁾ is revoked, save for article 5.

Sealed with the seal of the Electoral Commission on the 1st day of February 2005

L.S.

1st February 2005

Sam Younger
Chairman of the Commission

1st February 2005

Peter Wardle
Chief Executive to the Commission

⁽⁸⁾ As to electoral registration officers and the register of local government electors, *see* sections 8 to 13 of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2).

⁽⁹⁾ S.I. 1983/1529.

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SCHEDULE

article 3

NAMES AND AREAS OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS AND NUMBERS OF COUNCILLORS

<i>Column (1)</i> <i>Name of Electoral Division</i>	<i>Column (2)</i> <i>Area of Electoral Division</i>	<i>Column (3)</i> <i>Number of Councillors</i>
In the district of Aylesbury Vale		
Aston Clinton	Aston Clinton ward	1
Aylesbury East	Bierton ward; Elmhurst and Watermead ward; Oakfield ward	2
Aylesbury North	Aylesbury Central ward; Gatehouse ward; Quarrendon ward; Weedon parish	2
Aylesbury South	Mandeville and Elm Farm ward	1
Aylesbury South East	Bedgrove ward	1
Aylesbury West	Coldharbour ward; Southcourt ward; Walton Court and Hawkslade ward	2
Bernwood	Brill ward; Long Crendon ward; Ashendon parish; Dorton parish; Kingswood parish; Ludgershall parish; Nether Winchendon parish ⁽¹⁰⁾ ; Upper Winchendon parish; Westcott parish; Woodham parish; Wotton Underwood parish	1
Buckingham North	Buckingham North ward; Luffield Abbey ward	1
Buckingham South	Buckingham South ward; Tingewick ward; Hillesden parish; Preston Bissett parish; Twyford parish	1
Great Brickhill	Great Brickhill ward; Newton Longville ward; Stewkley ward	1
Grendon Underwood	Steeple Claydon ward; Charndon parish; Edgcott parish; Fleet Marston parish; Grendon Underwood parish; Hogshaw parish; Marsh Gibbon parish; Poundon	1

⁽¹⁰⁾ The parish of Nether Winchendon is the same as that referred to as “Lower Winchendon” in S.I. [2002/1788](#).

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	parish; Quainton parish; Waddesdon parish	
Haddenham	Haddenham ward	1
Ivinghoe	Cheddington ward; Edlesborough ward; Pitstone ward	1
Wendover and Halton	Wendover ward	1
Wing	Wing ward; Wingrave ward; Creslow parish; Hardwick parish; North Marston parish; Oving parish; Pitchcott parish; Whitchurch parish	1
Winslow	Great Horwood ward; Winslow ward	1
In the district of Chiltern		
Amersham	Amersham Common ward; Amersham-on-the-Hill ward; Amersham Town ward; Chesham Bois and Weedon Hill ward	2
Chalfont St Peter	Austenwood ward; Central ward; Gold Hill ward	1
Chesham East	Hilltop and Townsend ward; Newtown ward; Vale ward	1
Chesham North West	Asheridge Vale and Lowndes ward; Ridgeway ward	1
Chess Valley	Ashley Green, Latimer and Chenies ward; St Mary's and Waterside ward	1
Chiltern Ridges	Ballinger, South Heath and Chartridge ward; Cholesbury, The Lee and Bellingdon ward; Little Missenden ward	1
Great Missenden	Great Missenden ward; Prestwood and Heath End ward	1
Penn, Coleshill and Holmer Green	Holmer Green ward; Penn and Coleshill ward	1
The Chalfonts and Seer Green	Chalfont Common ward; Chalfont St Giles ward; Little Chalfont ward; Seer Green ward	2

In the district of South Bucks

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Alderbourne	Denham South ward; Iver Heath ward	1
Beaconsfield	Beaconsfield North ward; Beaconsfield West ward	1
Bulstrode	Beaconsfield South ward; Gerrards Cross South ward; Hedgerley and Fulmer ward	1
Burnham Beeches	Burnham Beeches ward; Burnham Church ward; Farnham Royal Upp-End and Farnham Royal Village parish wards of Farnham Royal parish	1
Gerrards Cross and Denham North	Denham North ward; Gerrards Cross East and Denham South West ward; Gerrards Cross North ward	1
Iver	Iver Village and Richings Park ward; Wexham and Iver West ward	1
Stoke Poges and Farnham Common	Stoke Poges parish; Farnham Royal Common parish ward of Farnham Royal parish	1
Taplow, Dorney and Lent Rise	Burnham Lent Rise ward; Dorney and Burnham South ward; Taplow ward	1
In the district of Wycombe		
Abbey	Abbey ward	1
Booker, Cressex and Sands		1
Bowerdean, Micklefield and Totteridge	Bowerdean ward; Micklefield ward; Totteridge ward	2
Chiltern Valley	Hambleden Valley ward; Lane End parish; Great Marlow parish ward of Great Marlow parish; Danesfield parish ward of Medmenham parish	1
Downley, Disraeli, Oakridge and Castlefield	Disraeli ward; Downley and Plomer Hill ward; Oakridge and Castlefield ward	2
Greater Hughenden	Greater Hughenden ward	1
Hazlemere	Hazlemere North ward; Hazlemere South ward	1

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Icknield and Bledlow	Bledlow and Bradenham ward; Icknield ward; Lacey Green, Speen and the Hampdens ward	1
Marlow	Marlow North and West ward; Marlow South East ward; Marlow Bottom parish ward of Great Marlow parish	2
Ryemead, Tylers Green and Loudwater	Ryemead ward; Tylers Green and Loudwater ward	2
Stokenchurch, Radnage and West Wycombe		1
Terriers and Amersham Hill	Terriers and Amersham Hill ward	1
Thames	Bourne End-cum-Hedsor ward; Flackwell Heath and Little Marlow ward; The Wooburns ward	2
The Risboroughs	The Risboroughs ward	1

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order gives effect, with modifications, to recommendations by the Boundary Committee for England, a committee of the Electoral Commission, for electoral changes in the county of Buckinghamshire.

The modifications concern the names of Chiltern Ridges electoral division and Great Marlow parish ward of the parish of Great Marlow, the allocation of parish councillors in the parish of Great Marlow, and the boundary between Chess Valley, and The Chalfonts and Seer Green electoral divisions.

The changes have effect in relation to local government elections to be held on and after the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2005.

Article 3 abolishes the existing electoral divisions of the county and provides for the creation of 47 new electoral divisions. That article and the Schedule also make provision for the names and areas of, and numbers of councillors for, the new electoral divisions.

Articles 4 and 5 make electoral changes in the parishes of Farnham Royal and Great Marlow.

Article 7 obliges the Electoral Registration Officer for each district in the county of Buckinghamshire to make any necessary amendments to the electoral register to reflect the new electoral arrangements.

Article 8 revokes the County of Buckinghamshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1983, with the exception of article 5.

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The areas of the new electoral divisions and of the new parish wards of the parishes of Farnham Royal and Great Marlow are demarcated on the map described in article 2. Prints of the map may be inspected at all reasonable times at the offices of Buckinghamshire County Council and at the principal office of the Electoral Commission at Trevelyan House, Great Peter Street, London SW1P 2HW.